

**COMMUNICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROSECUTION - GROUP ART UNIT 1651**

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: S.M. Hanley
TAKASHI KENMOKU ET AL.	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 1651
Application No.: 10/531,572	)	
	:	Confirmation No. 2325
Int'l Application No. PCT/JP03/13530	)	
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Filed: October 23, 2003	)	
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For: NEW	)	
POLYHYDROXYALKANOATE	:	
COMPRISING UNIT HAVING	)	
(PHENYLMETHYL)OXY	:	
STRUCTURE ON SIDE CHAIN	)	
THEREOF, AND METHOD FOR	:	
PRODUCING THE SAME	)	September 19, 2008

Commissioner for Patents  
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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

A. Introductory Comments

In response to the final Office Action dated July 2, 2008 in the above-captioned application, please consider the following remarks.